Rare beauty decays at LHCb

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Rare decays

- FCNC are strongly suppressed in the SM: only loops + GIM mechanism
- Any new particle generating new diagrams can change the amplitudes



• Generic description though effective hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm eff} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{\rm tb} V_{\rm tq}^* \sum_i (C_i \mathcal{O}_i + C_i' \mathcal{O}_i')$$

- Wilson coefficients $C^{(\prime)}$ encode the left- (right)-handed short distance physics of the corresponding operator $\mathcal{O}^{(\prime)}$
- NP can enter with new operators or modifying the coefficients



- $B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ golden channel for C_{10} and (pseudo)-scalar operators
- Precisely predicted as fully leptonic and ultra rare due to helicity suppression

 $m_{\mu^+\mu^-}$ [MeV/ c^2]

Seen by both LHCb and CMS with LHC RunI data

5500

Full combination of the two experiments analysis

2 0 5000

5.3 5.4 5.5

m_{uu} (GeV)

5.1 5.2 5.6

5.7 5.8 5.9





Which represent the first observation of the $B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay and a first evidence for the $B^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay.

^{*}From the Feldman Cousins method



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[hep-ex/1411.4413] - Accepted by Nature



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• Ratio of branching fractions of $B^+ \to K^+ e^+ e^-$ and $B^+ \to K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ sensitive to lepton universality $R_K = \frac{\int_{q_{min}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma[\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-)]}{dq^2}}{\int_{q_{max}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma[\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-)]}{dq^2} dq^2} = \left(\frac{N_{K\mu\mu}}{N_{Kee}}\right) \left(\frac{N_{J/\psi(ee)K}}{N_{J/\psi(\mu\mu)K}}\right) \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{Kee}}{\varepsilon_{K\mu\mu}}\right) \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{J/\psi(ee)K}}{\varepsilon_{J/\psi(\mu\mu)K}}\right)$

- SM prediction is $R_K = 1$ with an uncertainty of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$
- Measurement relative to resonant $B \to J\psi K$ modes



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 $20 \\ a^2 [GeV^2/c^4]$

LHCb

[LHCb - PRL 113, 151601]
[BaBar - PRD 86 (2012) 032012]
[Belle - PRL 103 (2009) 171801]

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Test of lepton universality using $B^+ \to K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays



 $R_{\rm K}$

0.5

--LHCb -BaBar ---Belle

5

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The combination of the various trigger channels gives:

 $R_K = 0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.036 (\text{syst})$

Most precise measurement to date, compatible with SM at 2.6σ level

The branching fraction of $B^+ \to e^+e^-K^+$ 0_0^{1} is measured as $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to e^+e^-K^+) = 1.56^{+0.19}_{-0.15}(\text{stat})^{+0.06}_{-0.05}(\text{syst}) \times 10^{-7}$ well compatible with SM predictions



Angular analysis of $B_d^0 \to K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays

- $b \rightarrow s$ transition with vector in the final state
- Final state described by $q^2 = m_{\mu\mu}^2$ and three angles $\Omega = (\theta_\ell, \theta_K, \phi)$
- F_L, A_{FB}, S_i sensitive to $C_7^{(\prime)} C_9^{(\prime)} C_{10}^{(\prime)}$



- $+ S_4 \sin 2\theta_K \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \phi + S_5 \sin 2\theta_K \sin \theta_\ell \cos \phi$
- $+\frac{4}{3}A_{\rm FB}\sin^2\theta_K\cos\theta_\ell + S_7\sin2\theta_K\sin\theta_\ell\sin\phi$ $+S_8\sin2\theta_K\sin2\theta_\ell\sin\phi + S_9\sin^2\theta_K\sin^2\theta_\ell\sin2\phi]$



Angular analysis of $B^0_d \to K^* e^+ e^-$ decays

- Angular analysis of $B_d^0 \to K^* e^+ e^-$ at very low q^2 ($\in [0.002, 1.120] \text{GeV}^2/\text{c}^4$)
- Folded angular observables ($\phi = \phi + \pi$ if $\phi < 0$)
- Measurement of F_L , $A_T^{(2)}$, $A_T^{(\text{Im})}$, $A_T^{(\text{Re})}$, \dagger sensitive to C_7' as $q^2 \to 0$



$${}^{\dagger}A_T^{(\text{Re})} = \frac{4}{3}A_{FB}/(1-F_L), A_T^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}S_3/(1-F_L) \text{ and } A_T = \frac{1}{2}S_9/(1-F_L)$$



Angular analysis of $B^0_d \to K^* e^+ e^-$ decays



- Measurements well in agreement with SM predictions
- Constraints on $C_7^{(\prime)}$ competitive with radiative decays

[†]S. Jäger, J. M. Camalich [arXiv/1412.3283]

Full Run I data update for a total luminosity of 3fb^{-1}









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 $\begin{array}{l} B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^- \text{ likelihood fit} \\ \text{Angular analysis of the } B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^- \text{ decay} \end{array}$

 3fb^{-1} dataset allows improvements:

1. $K\pi$ S-wave component included by default (instead of systematic check): simultaneous fit to $K\pi$ mass

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{\mathrm{d}(\Gamma+\bar{\Gamma})/\mathrm{d}q^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}^3(\Gamma+\bar{\Gamma})}{\mathrm{d}\bar{\Omega}} \bigg|_{\mathrm{S}+\mathrm{P}} = & (1-F_{\mathrm{S}}) \left. \frac{1}{\mathrm{d}(\Gamma+\bar{\Gamma})/\mathrm{d}q^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}^3(\Gamma+\bar{\Gamma})}{\mathrm{d}\bar{\Omega}} \right|_{\mathrm{P}} \\ & + \frac{3}{16\pi} F_{\mathrm{S}} \sin^2\theta_{\ell} + \text{ S-P interference} \end{split}$$



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- 2. Full angular analysis: simultaneous determination of CP-averaged observables: Covariance matrix to be used for global fits
- Simultaneous fit of angular observables and mass in q^2 bins
- Background angular distribution modelled as 2^{nd} order Chebychev polynomials
- Feldman-Cousins procedure to estimate uncertainties

Acceptance effects Angular analysis of the $B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay

- Acceptance, trigger and selection distort the angular distributions
- Efficiency parametrized in 4D using Legendre polynomials
- Coefficients from moment analysis of simulations
- Used as per-event weight or per bin correction depending on q^2 bin
- Cross-checked with $B_d^0 \to K^* J/\psi$



Fit to the control channel $B^0_d \to K^* J/\psi$ Angular analysis of the $B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay



• Performed angular analysis of $B_d^0 \to K^* J/\psi$

Reproduced results of dedicated analysis [PRD 88, 052002 (2013)]

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Results

Angular analysis of the $B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay

Projections of fit results for $q^2 \in [1.1, 6.0] \text{GeV}^2$ Good agreement of PDF projections with data in every bin of q^2 About 2400 events in the full q^2 range.



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[LHCb-CONF-2015-002]

Results

Angular analysis of the $B_d^0 \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay



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- Data points systematically lower than SM
- Measurement of zero-crossing point $q_0^2 = 3.7^{+0.8}_{-1.1} \text{GeV}^2$ evaluated as 1fb^{-1} analysis ([JHEP 08 (2013) 131])

[†][SM from Bharucha et al, arXiv/1503.05534]



Results

Angular analysis of the $B_d^0 \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay

• Form-factor independent observables $P'_5 = \frac{S_5}{\sqrt{F_L(1-F_L)}}$



- Tension in P'_5 [PRL 111, 191802 (2013)] confirmed with 3fb^{-1}
- Local deviations of 2.9σ and 3.0σ for $q^2 \in [4.0, 6.0]$ and $6.0, 8.0 \ GeV^2$
- Naive combination of the two gives local significance of 3.7σ
- Agreement with 1 fb^{-1} result

[SM from Descotes-Genon et al. JHEP12(2014)125]



- Rare decays are excellent indirect probes of NP
- Presented latest results of LHCb in various channels
- General agreement with SM predictions is seen
- Tensions in various observables in different channels
- Still lacking a coherent NP explanation that includes all
- Many results not shown today and many others to come with RunI data... looking forward to start again!

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Market Killer

- Angular analysis of the B⁰ → K^{*0}e⁺e⁻ decay in the low-q² region [LHCb, to appear in JHEP, arXiv:1501.03038]
- Study of the rare B⁰_s and B⁰ decays into the π⁺π⁻μ⁺μ⁻ final state [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B743 (2015) 46, arXiv:1412.6433]
- Observation of the rare B⁰_s → µ⁺µ⁻ decay from the combined analysis of CMS and LHCb data [CMS and LHCb, submitted to Nature, arXiv:1411.4413]
- Search for the lepton flavour violating decay τ⁻ → μ⁻μ⁺μ⁻ [LHCb, JHEP 02 (2015) 121, arXiv:1409.8548]
- First observations of the rare decays B⁺ → K⁺π⁺π[−]μ⁺μ[−] and B⁺ → φK⁺μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, JHEP 10 (2014) 064, arXiv:1408.1137]
- Measurement of CP asymmetries in the decays B⁰ → K^{*0}μ⁺μ[−] and B⁺ → K⁺μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, JHEP 09 (2014) 177, arXiv:1408.0978]
- Test of lepton universality using B⁺ → K⁺ℓ⁺ℓ⁻ decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113 (2014) 151601, arXiv:1406.6482]
- Angular analysis of charged and neutral B → Kμ⁺μ[−] decays [LHCb, JHEP 05 (2014) 082, arXiv:1403.8045]
- Differential branching fractions and isospin asymmetries of B → K^(*)µ⁺µ⁻ decays [LHCb, JHEP 06 (2014) 133, arXiv:1403.8044]
- Observation of photon polarization in the b → sγ transition [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 161801, arXiv:1402.6852]
- Search for Majorana neutrinos in B[−] → π⁺μ[−]μ[−] decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 131802, arXiv:1401.5361]
- Measurement of CP violation in the phase space of B[±] → K⁺K[−]π[±] and B[±] → π⁺π[−]π[±] decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 011801, arXiv:1310.4740]
- Search for the decay D⁰ → π⁺π[−]μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B728 (2014) 234, arXiv:1310.2535]
- Measurement of form-factor-independent observables in the decay B⁰ → K^{*0}μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 191801, arXiv:1308.1707]
- Measurement of the CP asymmetry in B⁺ → K⁺µ⁺µ⁻ decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 151801, arXiv:1308.1340]
- Observation of a resonance in B⁺ → K⁺μ⁺μ⁻ decays at low recoil [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 112003, arXiv:1307.7595]
- Measurement of the B⁰_s → μ⁺μ⁻ branching fraction and search for B⁰ → μ⁺μ⁻ decays at the LHCb experiment [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 101805, arXiv:1307.5024]
- Search for the lepton-flavour-violating decays B⁰_s → e[±]μ[∓] and B⁰ → e[±]μ[∓] [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 141801, arXiv:1307.4889]
- Measurement of the differential branching fraction of the decay Λ^b_b → Λμ⁺μ⁻ [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B725 (2013) 25, arXiv:1306.2577]
- Differential branching fraction and angular analysis of the decay B⁰_s → φµ⁺µ[−] [LHCb, JHEP 07 (2013) 084, arXiv:1305.2168]
- Search for the rare decay D⁰ → μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B725 (2013) 15, arXiv:1305.5059]
- Measurement of the B⁰ → K^{*0}e⁺e[−] branching fraction at low dilepton mass [LHCb, JHEP 05 (2013) 159, arXiv:1304.3035]
- Searches for violation of lepton flavour and baryon number in tau lepton decays at LHCb [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B724 (2013) 36, arXiv:1304.4518]
- Differential branching fraction and angular analysis of the decay B⁰ → K^{*0}μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, JHEP 08 (2013) 131, arXiv:1304.6325]
- Search for rare B⁰_(s) → μ⁺μ[−]μ⁺μ[−] decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 211801, arXiv:1303.1092]
- First evidence for the decay B⁰_s → μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 021801, arXiv:1211.2674]
- First observation of the decay B⁺ → π⁺μ⁺μ⁻ [LHCb, JHEP 12 (2012) 125, arXiv:1210.2645]
- Measurement of the CP asymmetry in B⁰ → K^{*0}μ⁺μ[−] decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 031801, arXiv:1210.4492]
- Differential branching fraction and angular analysis of the B⁺ → K⁺μ⁺μ[−] decay [LHCb, JHEP 02 (2013) 105, arXiv:1209.4284]
- Search for the rare decay K⁰_S → μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, JHEP 01 (2013) 090, arXiv:1209.4029]
- Measurement of the ratio of branching fractions B(B⁰ → K^{*0}γ)/B(B³_s → φγ) and the direct CP asymmetry in B⁰ → K^{*0}γ [LHCb, Nucl. Phys. B867 (2013) 1-18, arXiv:1209.0313]
- Measurement of the isospin asymmetry in B → K^(*)µ⁺µ⁻ decays [LHCb, JHEP 07 (2012) 133, arXiv:1205.3422]
- Strong constraints on the rare decays B⁰_s → µ⁺µ[−] and B⁰ → µ⁺µ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012) 231801, arXiv:1203.4493]
- Measurement of the ratio of branching fractions B(B⁰ → K^{*0}γ)/B(B⁰_s → φγ) [LHCb, Phys. Rev. D85 (2012) 112013, arXiv:1202.6267]
- Searches for Majorana neutrinos in B⁻ decays [LHCb, Phys. Rev. D85 (2012) 112004, arXiv:1201.5600]
- Differential branching fraction and angular analysis of the decay B⁰ → K^{*0}μ⁺μ[−] [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012) 181806, arXiv:1112.3515]
- Search for the rare decays $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ and $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ [LHCb, Phys. Lett. B708 (2012) 55, arXiv:1112.1600]
- Search for lepton number violating decays B⁺ → π[−]µ⁺µ⁺ and B⁺ → K[−]µ⁺µ⁺ [LHCb, Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012) 101601, arXiv:1110.0730]

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Additional material

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LHCb experiment

- 1075 members, from 68 institutes in 17 countries (September 2014)
- Dedicated experiment for precision measurements of CP violation and rare decays
- Beautiful, charming, strange physics program





- pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8(13)$ TeV in RunI (RunII)
- $b\bar{b}$ quark pairs produced correlated in the forward region
- Luminosity of $4 \times 10^{32} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$

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LHCb detector



Excellent vertex and IP resolution

- $\sigma(IP) \simeq 24 \mu m$ at $p_T = 2 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\sigma_{\rm BV} \simeq 16 \mu m \text{ in } x, y$

Very good momentum resolution

- $\sigma(p)/p = 0.4\% 0.6\%$ for $p \in (0, 100) \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\sigma(m_B) \sim 24$ MeV for two body decays

Muon identification

• $\varepsilon_{\mu} = 98\%, \ \varepsilon_{\pi \to \mu} = 0.6\%, \ \varepsilon_{K \to \mu} = 0.3\%, \ \varepsilon_{p \to \mu} = 0.3\%$

Trigger

• $\epsilon_{\mu} = 90\%$

Branching fractions



- Measurements of various $b \rightarrow s$ transitions systematically below the SM:
- Might be all due to modification of C_9



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Opening the box



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 101805 (2013)]



Results



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 101805 (2013)]

The full fit gives the following central values

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-) = 2.9^{+1.1}_{-1.0} (stat)^{+0.3}_{-0.1} (syst) \times 10^{-9}$$

with a significance of 4.0σ

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-) = 3.7^{+2.4}_{-2.1}(stat)^{+0.6}_{-0.4}(syst) \times 10^{-10}$$

with a significance of 2.0σ

- Systematic uncertainty obtained from total minus statistics (in quadrature)
- Plus additional component due to $\Lambda^0_b \to p \mu^- \nu$ background
- Given no evidence of $B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ the following upper limit has been put:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-) < 6.3(7.4) \times 10^{-10} \text{at } 90 \ (95)\% \text{ CL}$$

- First evidence of this decay obtained by LHCb in October 2012 with 2fb⁻¹
- Confirmed with higher significance in July 2013 with full Run I dataset

CMS results



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 101804 (2013)]

- Analysis of full Run I dataset (25 fb⁻¹)
- 4.3 σ evidence of $B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ with $\mathcal{B} = 3.0^{+1.0}_{-0.9} \cdot 10^{-9}$
- $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ significance of 2.0 σ with $\mathcal{B} = 3.5^{+2.1}_{-1.8} \cdot 10^{-10}$



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Test of lepton universality using $B^+ \to K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 151601]





Angular analysis of $B_d^0 \to K^* e^+ e^-$ decays

[LHCb-PAPER-2014-066, arXiv:1501.03038

Submitted to JHEP]





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Angular analysis of the $B^0_d \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay 1fb⁻¹ analysis: [JHEP 1308 (2013) 131]



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Angular analysis of the $B_d^0 \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay 1fb⁻¹ analysis - [Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 191801 (2013)]





Angular analysis of the $B_d^0 \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay Comparison of 1fb⁻¹ and 3fb⁻¹ analysis





Likelihood definition

$$\log \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i} \log \left[\epsilon(\vec{\Omega}, q^2) f_{\text{sig}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(\vec{\Omega}) \mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_{K\pi\mu\mu}) + (1 - f_{\text{sig}}) \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(\vec{\Omega}) \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_{K\pi\mu\mu}) \right] \\ + \sum_{i} \log \left[f_{\text{sig}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_{K\pi}) + (1 - f_{\text{sig}}) \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_{K\pi}) \right]$$

First determination of $|V_{ub}|$ using the exclusive decay $\Lambda_b \to p\mu^-\bar{\nu}$



• Normalized using $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda_c^+(pK\pi)\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$

- Form factors predictions from lattice calculations
- Only high q^2 (> $15 GeV^2$)
- Corrected mass: $m_{corr} = \sqrt{m_{X\mu}^2 + p_{\perp}^2} + p_{\perp}$
- Using $|V_{cb}| = (39.5 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ (from exclusive decays)
- Result

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.27 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-3}$$

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